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Thailand Just About Back to Normal...

The Great Flood: During and After

BANGKOK (Dec. 13, 2011, Bangkok Post) - The deluge of Thailand's Great Flood of 2011 has receded, with most of Bangkok back to normal. The following images show some areas of the capital during the flood and how they look today. *Photos by Post photographers.*

During the flood



Today!



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Bangkok Again Welcoming Guests, Department Stores Open, Offering Sales

(Escape, Dec. 11, 2011) - The Thai Government may still be pumping water from housing estates in the three most heavily inundated areas of Bangkok and Nonthaburi, but the city is again welcoming guests following the recent floods.

The World Bank estimates the flood will cost Thailand about 1.4 trillion baht (\$44.5 million), slashing the country's economic growth to 2.4 per cent this year. Sandbags are still stacked in doorways, but the city is slowly, surely, returning to its chaotic normal self...

Naturally, the first thing is to clean up the debris so that people can go about the daily business of making a living. The markets are open. There are bargains to be had. Although it was wonderful to see that tourists were being generous, rather than looking for an incredible deal, when bartering. The department stores are open and just about everything is on sale.

Thai Cabinet OKs \$645 Million For Post-Flood Recovery

BANGKOK (Dec. 12, 2011, Reuters) - The Thai cabinet on Monday approved a plan to disburse 20 billion baht rapidly for initial post-flood rebuilding and to stimulate the economy, Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra said.

"This is part of an emergency plan of the government's flood relief program. It is part of 60 billion baht budget approved earlier," Yingluck told reporters after a special meeting. The remainder of the budget would be approved in stages later because affected provinces and government agencies have to review the funds needed for post-flood recovery to avoid any duplication, Yingluck said.



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